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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT-PARAS 3 AND 4)

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, TC

SUBJECT: MEETING DELIVERY DATES FOR WEBBING AND M16'S

REF: STATE 222611

1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES DEPT'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO KEEP UAE MILITARY PURCHASES ON SCHEDULE AND IN PARTICULAR SPOTTING FLAW IN UAE CARRY-THROUGH ON ITS COMMITMENTS.

2. ON RECEIPT REFTTEL, I CALLED ABDULLA MAZRU'I, U/S MINFORAFFAIRS TO SEE IF HE WAS AWARE OF ARRANGEMENT ON WEBBING. HE WAS AND SAID THAT HE HAD JUST SENT LETTER TO AMBASSADOR GHOBASH AUTHORIZING HIM TO SIGN LOA. I POINTED OUT TIME FACTOR AND ASKED IF AUTHORITY COULD BE REPEATED BY TELEX. MAZRU'I AGREED TO DO SO, I HOPE TODAY SEPT. 9. IF AMB GHOBASH DOES NOT RECEIVE SUCH MESSAGE BEFORE COB FRIDAY PLEASE LET US KNOW AND I WILL FOLLOW UP SAT. AM.

3. RE M16A1'S, PROBLEM IS A BIT MORE COMPLEX. FACT IS UAE DF HAS NOT YET TAKEN FINAL DECISION TO BUY M16 AND WITH GEN. KHALDI HAVING GONE OFF TO UK FOR WEEK TO TEN DAYS DECISION NOT LIKELY UNTIL AROUND SEPT 20.

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WE HAVE BEEN STRESSING URGENCY WITH HIS STAFF AND WILL

CONTINUE TO DO SO, URGING THAT THEY CONVEY MESSAGE BY  
TELEPHONE.

4. WE AGREE FULLY THAT BALL IN UAE COURT AND WISH RE-  
ITERATE OUR APPRECIATION TO DEPT. AND DOD FOR EFFORTS  
WHICH HAVE PUT IT THERE.  
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